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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

ADDITIONAL UPDATE

Emergency Slab Replacement Work Southbound Interstate 15 near State Route 138

Cajon Pass - The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) will begin an emergency slab replacement project on Wednesday, March 2, 2005. The work will replace the outside lane of southbound I-15 in the Cajon Pass from the "Runaway Truck Ramp" to SR-138, nearly 2 miles in length. Damage to the outside lane occurred during the recent storm which resulted in large potholes and broken pavement slabs. Heavy traffic volumes in the Cajon Pass also contributed to the pavement deterioration.

Two right lanes will close at 6 p.m. and a third lane will close from 10:00 p.m. to 4:00 a.m. Monday through Thursday. On Fridays, two right lanes will close at 6 p.m. and the third lane will close at 11:00 p.m. and all lanes will reopen at 5:00 a.m. One lane will remain open for travel during the third lane closure time period. Quick-dry cement will be used in this project and takes approximately two hours to set. The emergency work is expected to take about two weeks.

Caltrans encourages you to keep current on road closures before you leave home by accessing our Web site at http://www.dot.ca.gov/dist8/road_info.htm. For additional information, motorists can call our Public Affairs office at (909) 383-4631.

Caltrans reminds motorists to always drive carefully through construction zones and be especially careful when driving in inclement weather. Remember to allow yourself more time as rain and wet roadways often cause motorists to drive more slowly. Above everything else, be alert; stay smart, and ***SLOW FOR THE CONE ZONE***.

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